

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of subject application. Claims 1-33 were pending at the time of the Office Action, with originally presented claims 34-35 having previously been canceled. Claims 2, 16, and 24 are presently canceled. Claims 1, 15, 17, 23, and 29 are amended. Claims 1, 3-15, 17-23, and 25-33 are pending.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 2, 3, 16, 17, 18, 24, and 25, as well as for the detailed analysis presented in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-5, 10-12, 14-19, 22, 29, and 31-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,529,995 B1 to Shepherd. (hereinafter "Shepherd") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,689,688 to Strong et al. (hereinafter "Strong").

However, claims 2, 3, 16, 17, 18, 24, and 25 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of the base claims, and any intervening claims. Accordingly, applicants have amended claims 1, 15, and 23 to present claims 2, 16, and 24 as though written in independent form and including the limitations of the claims from which they depend.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 2.

Claim 15 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 16. Further, claim 17, which previously depended from claim 16, has been amended to depend from claim 15, as amended.

Claim 23 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 24.

1 Accordingly, applicants submit that claims 1, 15, and 23, as amended, are
2 in condition for allowance. Moreover, because claims depending from these
3 independent claims both depend from and add limitations to these independent
4 claims, each of the dependent claims is patentable for at least the same reasons as
5 the claim from which it depends. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that
6 claims 1, 3-15, 17-23, and 25-28 all are in condition for allowance.

7 In addition, although the Office Action did not indicate claims depending
8 from claim 29 to be allowable, applicants have amended claim 29 to recite
9 limitations reflective of the limitations included in one or more of the claims
10 indicated to be allowable. Specifically, claim 29 is amended to further recite
11 "comparing a time recognized by each web server to a current time recognized by
12 the data server," and "adjusting the scheduled activation time on each web server
13 by the time difference between the time recognized by the web server and the
14 current time recognized by the data server." Respectfully, applicants submit that
15 claim 29 also is in condition for allowance. Moreover, claims 30-33, which
16 depend from and add additional limitations to claim 29, also are patentable for at
17 least the same reasons for which claim 29 is allowable.

18 In sum, applicants respectfully submit that the claims still pending in this
19 case, including claims 1, 3-15, 17-23, and 25-33, all are in condition for
20 allowance.
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CONCLUSION

Claims 1, 3-15, 17-23, and 25-33 are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and prompt allowance of the subject application. If any issue remains unresolved that would prevent allowance of this case, **the Examiner is requested to urgently contact the undersigned attorney to resolve the issue.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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